GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3973
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Permanent Commission to Women
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has granted permanent commission to women in the Indian Air Force and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) the total number of officers given permanent commission in the Indian Air Force;

(c) the total number of women officers given permanent commission in the Indian Air Force; and

(d) the criteria for allotting permanent commission with the Indian Air Force?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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(a) Yes, Madam. Eligible women officers who are being inducted into Ground Duty branches are considered for grant of permanent commission at par with their male counterparts based on a gender neutral policy with uniform Qualitative requirements (QRs).

(b) Permanent commission (excluding Medical and Dental Branch) have been granted to 10177 officers in the IAF as on 01.12.2016.

(c) A total number of 336 women officers (excluding Medical and Dental branch) have been granted permanent commission till date.

(d) The criteria for allotting permanent commission (PC) in the IAF are based on a gender neutral policy. The eligible officers for grant of PC are considered by a Board of Officers constituted at Air Headquarters based on their suitability, willingness, medical category, availability of vacancies and position in merit etc.

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